REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Claims 1-3, 6-9, 10 and 13 are pending in this application. Claim 1 is the only independent claim. By this Amendment, independent Claim 1 is amended to clarify that the controlling section "is programmed to judge" as suggested by the Examiner in paragraph "7" on page 9 of the Official Action. Claims 2 and 3 are similarly amended to be consistent with Claim 1. No new matter is added.

Claim 1 patentably distinguishes over the applied references as indicated in paragraph "7" on page 9 of the Official Action. In addition, as noted in the Examiner's Telephone Interview Summary enclosed with the Official Action, this Amendment will place this application in condition for allowance. Thus, entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application or should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

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